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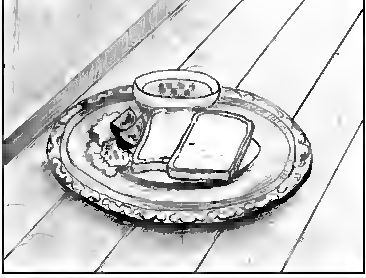
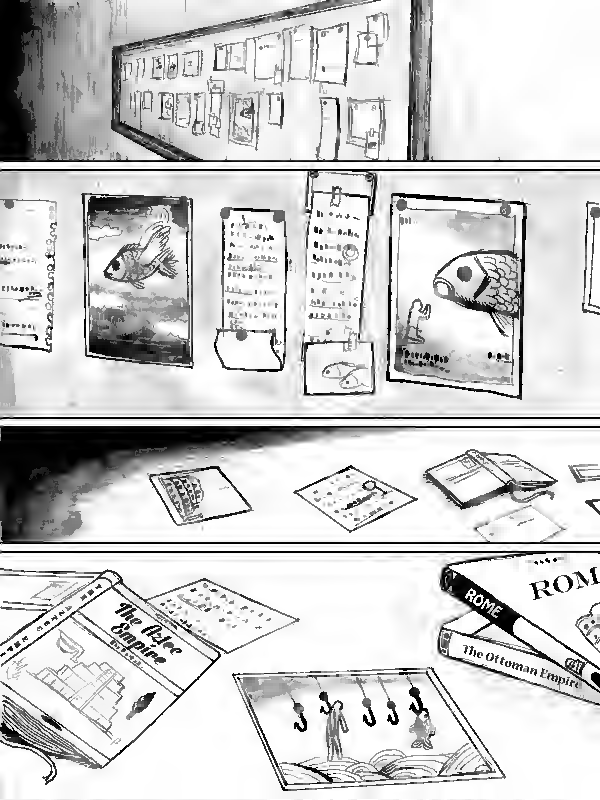
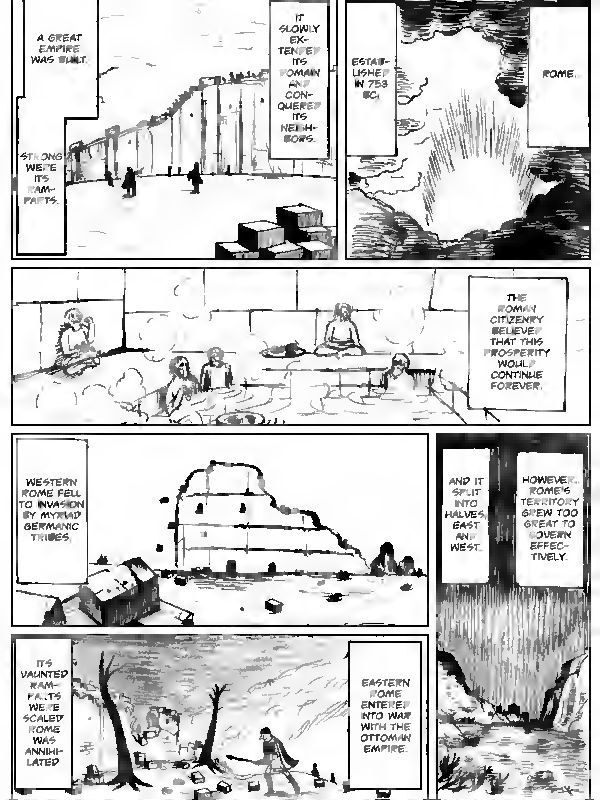
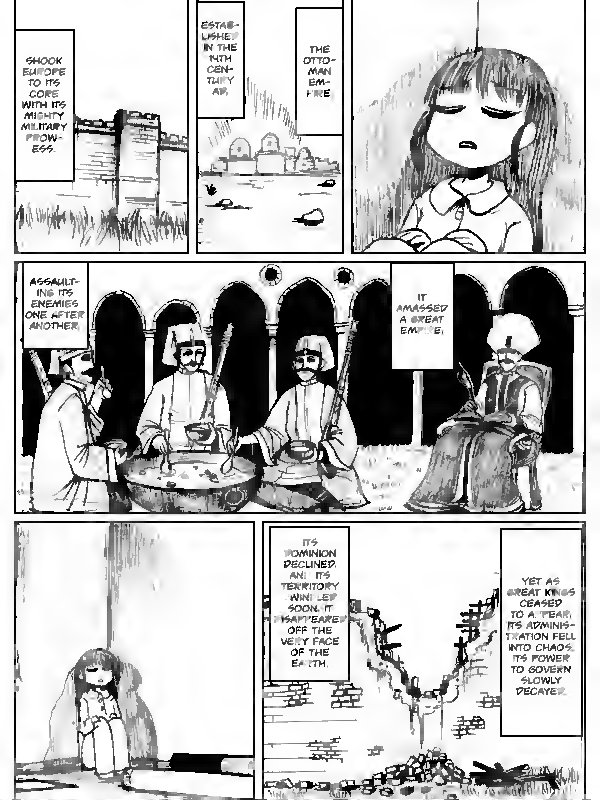
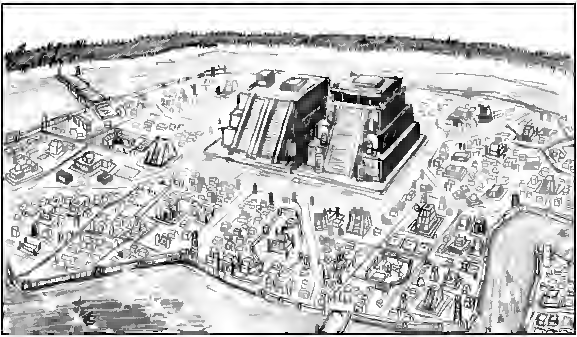


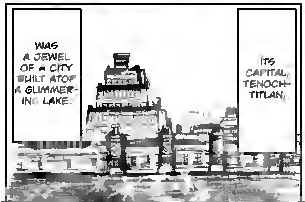

The Aztec Empire
ROME
The Ottoman Empire

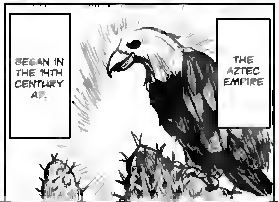

A GREAT EMPIRE WAS BUILT.
IT SLOWLY EXTENDED ITS DOMAIN AND CONQUERED ITS NEIGHBORS.
STRONG WERE ITS RAMPARTS.
ESTABLISHED IN 753 BC.
ROME.
THE ROMAN CITIZENRY BELIEVED THAT THIS PROSPERITY WOULD CONTINUE FOREVER.
WESTERN ROME FELL TO INVASION BY MYRIAD GERMANIC TRIBES.
AND IT SPLIT INTO HALVES, EAST AND WEST.
HOWEVER, ROME'S TERRITORY GREW TOO GREAT TO GOVERN EFFECTIVELY.
ITS VAUNTED RAMPARTS WERE SCALED. ROME WAS ANNIHILATED.
EASTERN ROME ENTERED INTO WAR WITH THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE.


SHOOK EUROPE TO ITS CORE WITH ITS MIGHTY MILITARY PROWESS.
ESTABLISHED IN THE 14TH CENTURY AD.
THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE.
ASSAULTING ITS ENEMIES ONE AFTER ANOTHER.
IT AMASSED A GREAT EMPIRE.
ITS DOMINION DECLINED. AND, ITS TERRITORY WAS LEFT SOON. IT DISAPPEARED OFF THE VERY FACE OF THE EARTH.
YET AS GREAT KINGS CEASED TO A TEAR, ITS ADMINISTRATION FELL INTO CHAOS. ITS POWER TO GOVERN SLOWLY DECAYED.

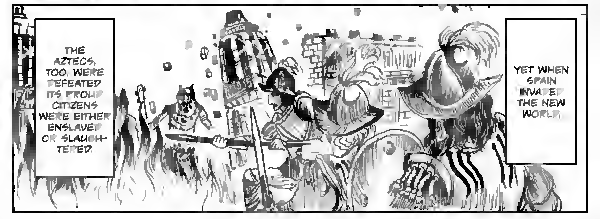
The Aztec Empire

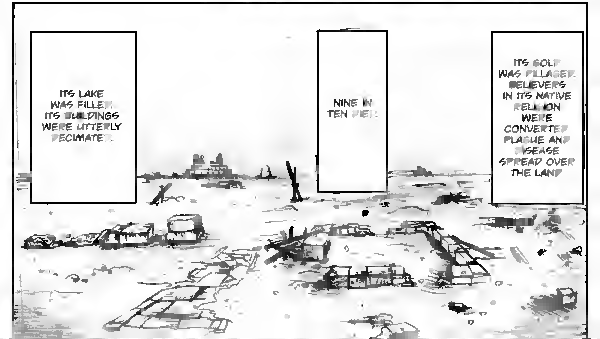



WAS A JEWEL OF A CITY BUILT ATOP A GLIMMERING LAKE.
ITS CAPITAL, TENOCHTITLAN,


BEGAN IN THE 14TH CENTURY A.D.
THE AZTEC EMPIRE

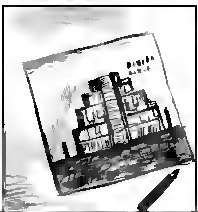
THAT COWED OTHER COUNTRIES INTO ABJECT SUBSERVIENCE
FUELED BY THEIR RELIGION THEY ROASTED A MIXTURE OF ZEALOTRY AND MILITARY POWER

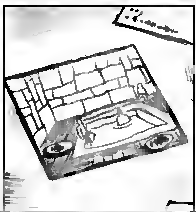

THE AZTECS, TOO, WERE DEFEATED. ITS PROUD CITIZENS WERE EITHER ENSLAVED OR SLAUGHTERED
YET WHEN SPAIN INVADED THE NEW WORLD


ITS LAKE WAS FILLED. ITS BUILDINGS WERE UTTERLY DECIMATED.
NINE IN TEN DIED.
ITS SOUL WAS FILLED. BELIEVERS IN ITS NATIVE RELIGION WERE CONVERTED. PLAGUE AND DISEASE SPREAD OVER THE LAND

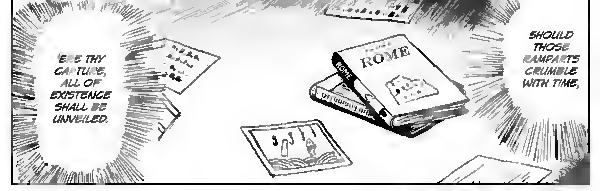
THE AZTEC EMPIRE HAD CRUMBLED.

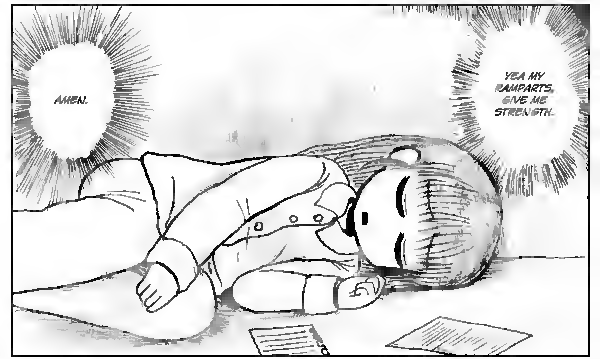
TENOCHTITLAN WAS BARREN.

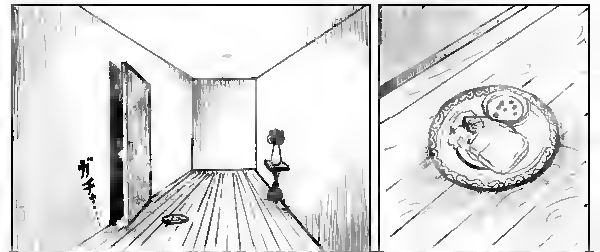




MORE PRECIOUS TO ME THAN MY OWN LIFE, I LABORED TO BUT DESCRIBE THEE.
TO PROTECT E'EN THE MEEKEST OF GOLDFISH.
AHH...
CANNOT E'EN RECALL THY NAME.
YET NOW
I WILL ERECT MIGHTY RAMPARTS THAT THEE WILL NE'ER BE O'ERTAKEN.


SHOULD THOSE RAMPARTS CRUMBLE WITH TIME,
ROME
BE THY CAPTURE, ALL OF EXISTENCE SHALL BE UNVEILED.


YEA MY RAMPARTS, GIVE ME STRENGTH.
AMEN.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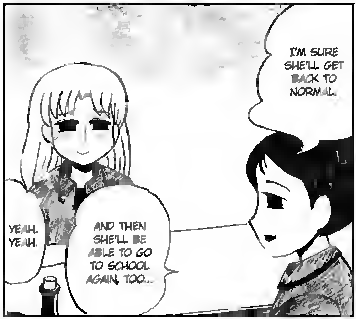
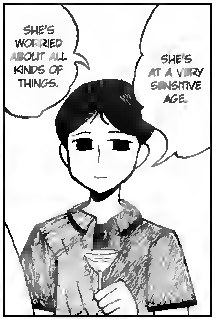
GREAT...
SHE'S EATING...

SHE'S SLEEP-ING...
I'M HOME.
THANK YOU.
GREAT WORK TODAY.

MIKAZE ATE SOMETHING!
I DIDN'T THINK SHE'D EAT AGAIN.
THAT'S GREAT...!
SHE DID?!
...BECAUSE YOU'VE KEPT ENCOURAGING ME.
MAYBE YOUR FEELINGS FINALLY GOT THROUGH TO HER.


I'M SURE SHE'LL GET BACK TO NORMAL.
AND THEN SHE'LL BE ABLE TO GO TO SCHOOL AGAIN, TOO...
YEAH. YEAH.


SHE'S WORRIED ABOUT ALL KINDS OF THINGS.
SHE'S AT A VERY SENSITIVE AGE.

GREAT!
BUT MAYBE IT'LL ALL BE OKAY NOW... I FEEL LIKE I CAN KEEP ON FIGHTING.
I WAS AT THE END OF MY WITS...
Heheke...

Homemade Recipes
VEGETARIAN LIFE
SO EVEN IF SHE'LL ONLY EAT PLANTS, I CAN'T LET HER DIET GET TOO UNBALANCED...
SHE'S STILL GROWING...
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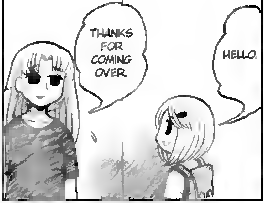
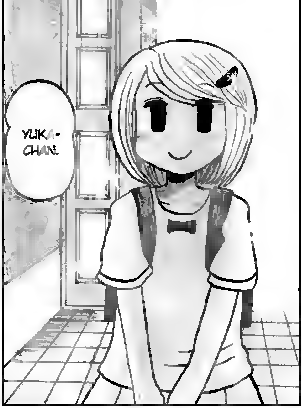
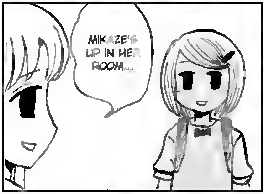
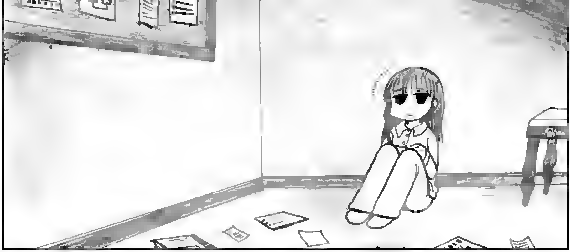
WITH A CARROT, MUSHROOM, AND CORN MARINADE, AND...
A MUSHROOM STEAK
TODAY'S MEAL WILL BE...


THANKS FOR COMING OVER.
HELLO.

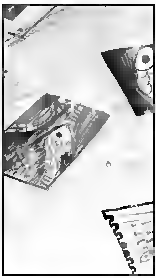

YUKI-CHAN.


MIKAZE'S UP IN HER ROOM...

MI-KAZE-CHAN?



WHAT ARE YOU DRAWING??



WHAT ABOUT THIS?

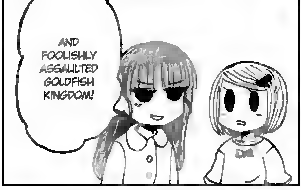
A STORY OF A GOLDFISH FISHING FOR A HUMAN...

THIS IS...

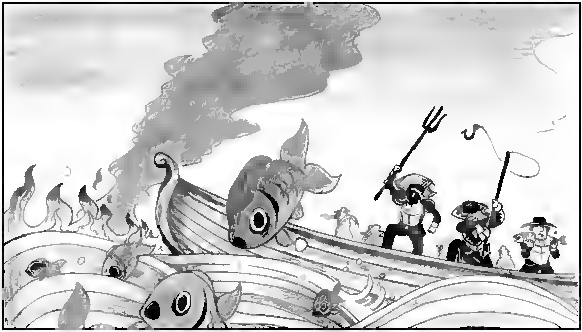
HE HE HE
I... I'M NOT SURE.
THEN... THEN HOW 'BOUT THIS ONE?
THAT ONE IS....
A FISH FLYING IN THE SKY...
HEY, HEY! CAN I HAVE ONE?
YEAH... SURE.
YOUR DRAWINGS ARE ALL :) GOOD, MIKAZE-CHAN...
Umm...
Then...
YOU MEAN IT?!

WHAT IS THIS A PICTURE OF?
THIS ONE'S TOTALLY AWESOME!!
THAT ONE...
IT'S A STORY ABOUT FLYING GOLDFISH OVERTHROWING THE KINGDOM OF HUMANS...
.....
THE KINGDOM OF HUMANS?
THEN...
JUST FOR YOU...

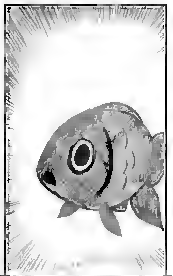
YEAH!
...OF GOLDFISH KINGDOM?
I'LL TELL YOU THE STORY OF GOLDFISH KINGDOM...
THAT'S GOLDFISH KINGDOM.
JUST FOR GOLDFISH...
IT WAS A KINGDOM BUILT BY GOLDFISH
Back when dolphins were still walking on land...
A long, long time ago...


AND FOOLISHLY ASSAULTED GOLDFISH KINGDOM!

The brutish humans formed a human empire

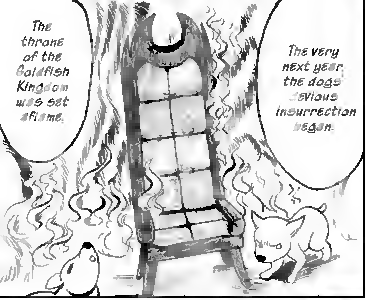


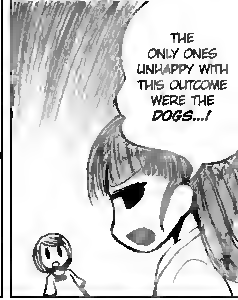
Goldfish lost their lives at these vile hands!
ma-ny ma-ny

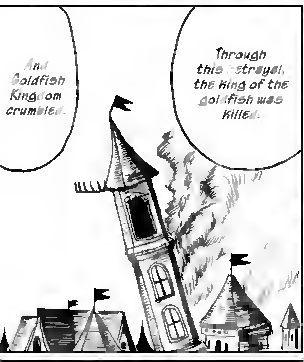


And they did not flinch in the face of the might of Goldfish Kingdom's army.
Their lawless enemies feared not the wrath of God.
To engage their human foes.
Brave Goldfish knights soared through the sky
AND THEN? AND THEN?
AND AS THEIR BATTLE RAGED, THE SURFACE OF THE OCEAN ITSELF WAS DYED RED...!
THE GOLDFISH KNIGHTS MOWED DOWN THE ONCOMING HUMANS ONE AFTER THE NEXT.
I've captured the human king!
ONE FLYING GOLDFISH KNIGHT CALLED OUT...
JUST WHEN IT SEEMED AS THOUGH THEY WOULD FIGHT UNTIL ONE SIDE OR THE OTHER WAS ANNIHILATED...!

The human king was brought to the guillotine.
THE ARMIES DISPERSED, AND A GREAT FEAST WAS HELD!
NO THEN?! WHAT HAPPENED NEXT?!
And the cows and pigs and cats and chicken cruelly imprisoned by the human empire were all safely released
Thus the human empire was vanquished by Goldfish Kingdom

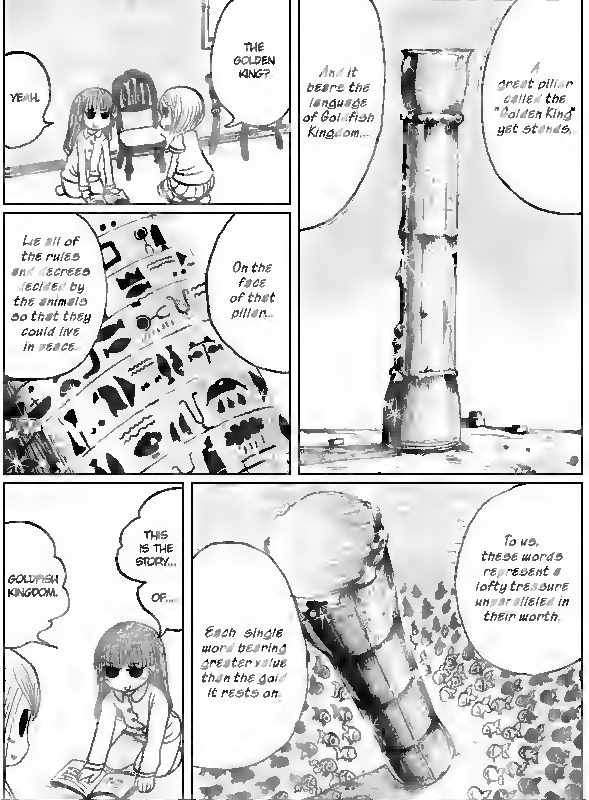

The throne of the Goldfish Kingdom was set aflame.
The very next year, the dogs' devious insurrection began.

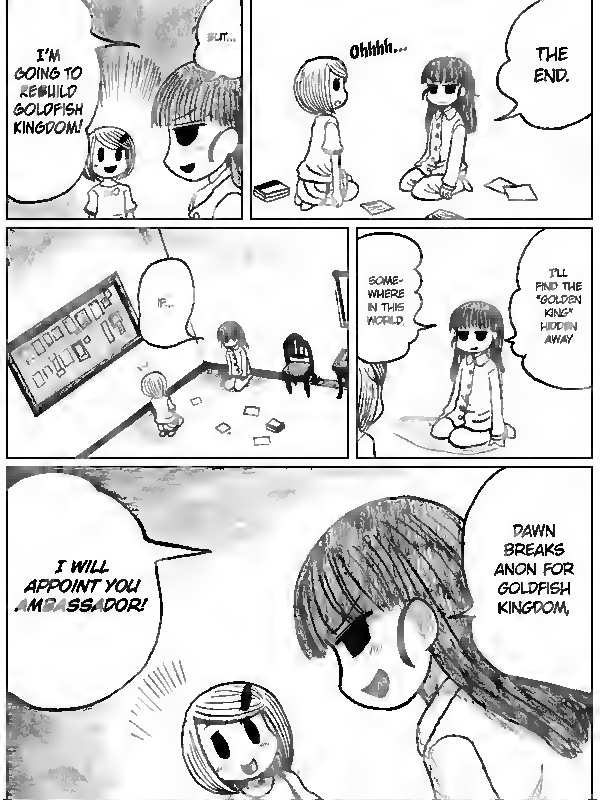

THE ONLY ONES UNHAPPY WITH THIS OUTCOME WERE THE DOGS...!


Through this struggle, the king of the Goldfish was killed.
And Goldfish Kingdom crumbled.

Fie on those ungraceful despicable wretches!
Those slaves to human masters!

BUT...


THE GOLDEN KING?
YEAH.
And it bears the language of Goldfish Kingdom...
A great pillar called the "Golden King" yet stands.
On the face of that pillar...
Lie all of the rules and decrees decided by the animals so that they could live in peace.
THIS IS THE STORY...
OF...
GOLDFISH KINGDOM.
Each single word bearing greater value than the gold it rests on.
To us, these words represent a lofty treasure unparalleled in their worth.


I'M GOING TO REBUILD GOLDFISH KINGDOM!
BUT...
Ohhhh...
THE END.
IF...
SOME-WHERE IN THIS WORLD
I'LL FIND THE "GOLDEN KING" HIDDEN AWAY
I WILL APPOINT YOU AMBASSADOR!
DAWN BREAKS ANON FOR GOLDFISH KINGDOM.

Hehehe...
YOU MEAN IT?!
YOU'RE NOT GONNA GO TO SCHOOL?
...NO.
HEY,
YOU REALLY ARE BETTER OFF NOT GOING.
BUT, Y'KNOW...
I SEE...

ARE LETTERS FROM CLASS, WANNA LOOK?
THESE HERE
AND THEY KEEP MAKING HIS RUN AROUND THE SCHOOL YARD ALL THE TIME IN GYM CLASS.
CLASS IS REALLY, REALLY BORING...
HOPE YOU GET BETTER SOON, MIKAZE!!! LOVE!
We all hope you get better quickly.
GET BETT RIGHT NO
Get better, Mikaze!
R U OK?
Really hope you get better!
- Sakamaki
See you soon after you get better and come back to school!
Hope you get better soon!
Really get better!
You're sick and have a lot of fun!
Get well soon!
Hurry back!
Can't wait to see you in school!
YOU SHOULD GET BETT
Get better!
Hope you get better soon, K?
GET BETTER, OKAY?
REALLY HOPE YOU GET BETTER
KEEP IT UP!!
SEE YA SOON!
LET'S PLAY SOME GAMES NEXT TIME, OKAY?
I hope yo get bette and com back to
ESPECIALLY THE BOYS. THEY'RE SUCH UNBELIEVABLE IDIOTS ALL THE TIME, Y'KNOW? I JUST CAN'T STAND THEM...
NO ONE REALLY KNEW WHAT KIND OF LETTER THEY SHOULD WRITE.
THESE ARE...

SO EVERYONE'S BEEN GROWING CUCUMBERS IN THESE FLOWER POTS, RIGHT?
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, SOMETHING REALLY BAD HAPPENED YESTERDAY.
AND WHEN THE TEACHER ASKED WHO DID IT, NO ONE RAISED THEIR HAND.
WELL, SOMEONE CUT ONE OF THE GIRLS' ONES RIGHT IN HALF...
THEY'RE REALLY AWFUL!
HUMANS DON'T CARE ABOUT PLANTS' LIVES AT ALL!
SHE CRIED AND CRIED AND CRIED
AND THE GIRL WHO WORKED SO HARD TO RAISE IT,

WH-IT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, MIKAZE-CHAN?!
THEY'RE NOT ALIVE, RIGHT?
PLANTS...
BUT...
BUT MY MOM AND DAD SAID I GOTTA...
ANYWAY, I DON'T WANNA GO TO SCHOOL ANYMORE EITHER.
YEAH, BUT...
PLANTS ARE DEFINITELY ALIVE!
I WISH I LIVED HERE, TOO...
I'M SO JEALOUS...
NO...
DO THEY SAY STUFF LIKE THAT TO YOU, TOO?
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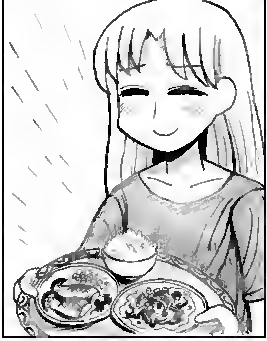

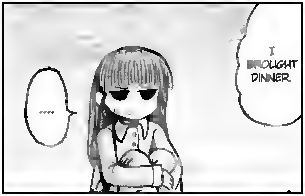
I BROUGHT DINNER.
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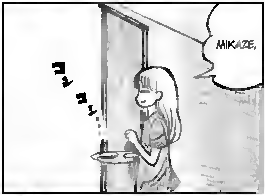
MIKAZE,
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EH?!
WHY HONEY?

I DON'T WANT ANY

BUT...
I DON'T WANT IT!
BUT IT'S A MUSHROOM STEAK...
IT'S JUST SOME VEGETABLES...
WHY?
WHY?
I SAID I DON'T WANT IT!
BUT THERE'S NO MEAT IN IT AT ALL...
I JUST DON'T WANT IT!

I'M HOME...
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WHAT'S WRONG?
MIKAZE, SHE...
MI...
THEY DON'T WRITE ABOUT THIS ANYWHERE...
....
I... I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO...
SHE FEELS SAD FOR THE PLANTS?!

FIRST OF ALL, YOU NEED TO STOP READING THINGS LIKE THIS...
HONEY... I'M SO WORRIED ABOUT HER...
SHE'S SUCH A KIND GIRL AT HEART...
IF... IF SHE SAYS SHE'LL STARVE TO DEATH, I...
....

YOU HAVEN'T EATEN ANYTHING ALL DAY LONG, RIGHT?

WHY DID YOU SAY YOU WON'T EAT VEGETABLES?
.....
Y'KNOW...
I THINK IT'S FINE IF YOU DON'T EAT MEAT BECAUSE YOU FEEL BAD FOR THE ANIMALS.
...THERE ARE LOTS OF PEOPLE LIKE THAT.
BUT IF YOU WON'T EAT VEGETABLES EITHER...
...YOU'LL GET SICK, MIKAZE.
....

WHY?
THAT'S FINE...
.....
IT'S FINE...
YOU DON'T WANT TO EAT...?
.....
BACK THEN...
YOU USED TO EAT VEGETABLES BEFORE.
WHY DID YOU START THINKING LIKE THAT?

BUT...
I THOUGHT I COULD LIVE BY JUST EATING PLANTS...
BUT?
BUT...
WHEN I START TO THINK ABOUT PLANTS BEING ALIVE, TOO...
BUT IT WAS WRONG TO EAT ANIMALS.
I NEVER THOUGHT ABOUT WHY IT WAS OKAY TO EAT PLANTS
THAT I ATE THEM WITHOUT EVEN THINKING ALL THIS TIME...
I'M SO ASHAMED

I PRETENDED NOT TO UNDERSTAND THEM ANYWAY...
BUT...
I KNEW IT ALL ALONG...
NO...
I DON'T KNOW AT ALL...
I DON'T KNOW WHAT I SHOULD EAT...
WELL,
MIKAZE...
.....

EAT THINGS AND ARE EATEN BY THINGS.
ALL OF THE ANIMALS IN THE WILD...
AND THAT'S HOW THE WORLD STAYS BALANCED.
SEE, THAT'S WHY IT CAN'T BE A BAD THING TO EAT SOMETHING...
THE SAME GOES FOR US.
PROB-ABLY...

NOOOO!
WOULD YOU STAY QUIET AND LET IT EAT US UP?!
WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF A MONSTER APPEARED AND STARTED TRYING TO EAT US?!
EH?
NO ONE TRIES TO ATTACK AND EAT US!
HUMANS ARE AT THE TOP OF THE FOOD CHAIN.
WANTS TO BE EATEN!
NO ANIMAL ON EARTH...

WE DESTROY THE ENVIRONMENT.
HUMANS ARE THE ROOT OF ALL KINDS OF EVIL.
WE'RE THE MOST SINFUL CREATURES AROUND!
WE HATE AND EVEN KILL EACH OTHER.
WE EAT EVERY LIVING THING.
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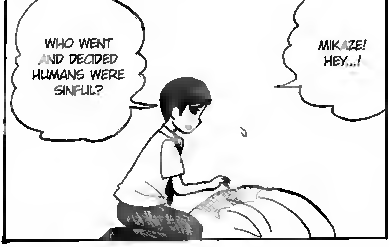
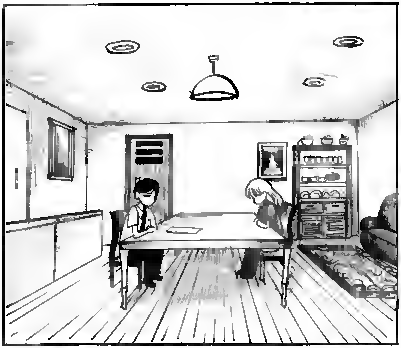
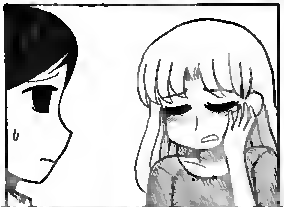

WHO WENT AND DECIDED HUMANS WERE SINFUL?
MIKAZE! HEY...!



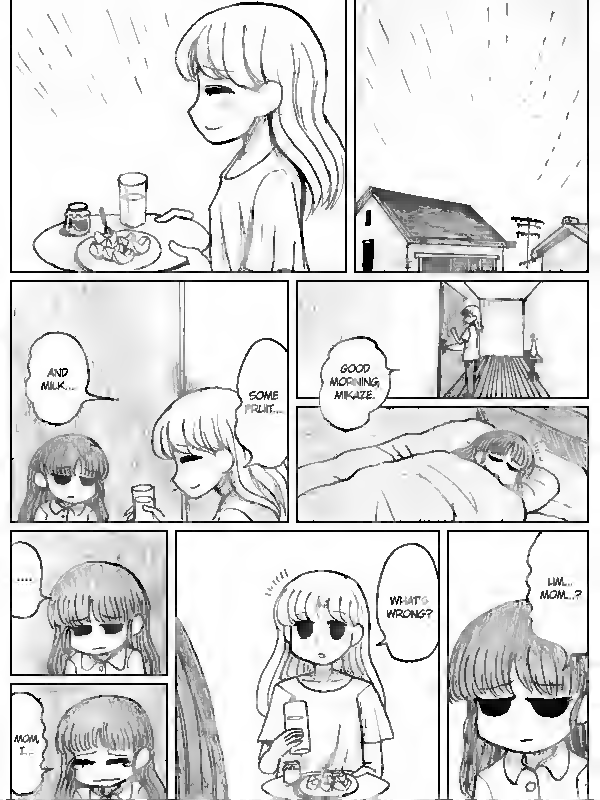
WHEN DID SHE START THINKING LIKE THAT...?



THE TV?
THE NEWSPAPER?
BOOKS...?
The Water Dragon

I KNOW... I CAN'T BELIEVE SHE'D SAY SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
BUT... TO GO AND SAY WE'RE SINFUL...
WAY BACK WHEN I WAS A KID...
BUT NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT... A LONG TIME AGO, I USED TO THINK ALONG THESE LINES, TOO...
YOU FORGET ALL ABOUT THOSE KINDS OF THING...
BUT... WHEN YOU GET TO BE OUR AGE,
AND STARTED TO THINK PEOPLE WERE NOTHING BUT SELFISH.
I HEARD ALL KINDS OF AWFUL NEWS

DEAR...
AND I HAD MY FAMILY...
AND A FEW GOOD TEACHERS...
AND I HAD GOOD FRIENDS
THE REASON I SAID ALL THAT WAS BECAUSE I HAD A STRONG SENSE OF JUSTICE.
AND EVEN THOUGH I'D SAY HUMANS WERE DESPICABLE. I DIDN'T THINK MY FAMILY WAS DESPICABLE.
NOT AT ALL!
HEH... I'M REALLY GETTING PREACHY, AREN'T I? SORRY...
BELIEVE IN HER, WATCH OVER HER, AND I'M SURE MIKAZE WILL COME AROUND, TOO...


AND MILK...
SOME FRUIT...
GOOD MORNING, MIKAZE.
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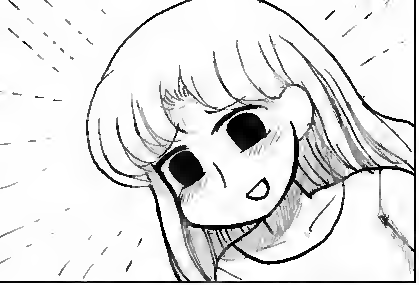
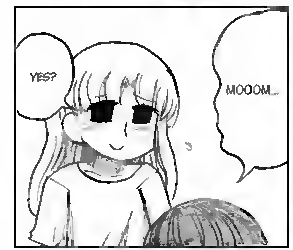
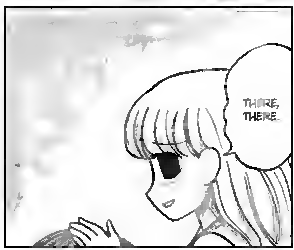
MOM, I...
WHAT'S WRONG?
HM... MOM...?

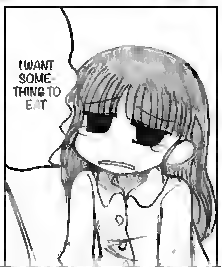


AHH...


MOOOM...
YES?


THERE, THERE...

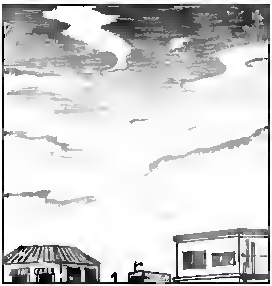
I'M HUNGRY...
ANY-THING'S FINE... I'M SO HUNGRY...

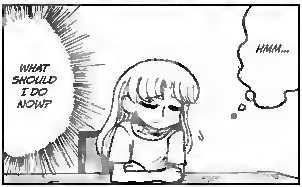

I WANT SOME-THING TO EAT

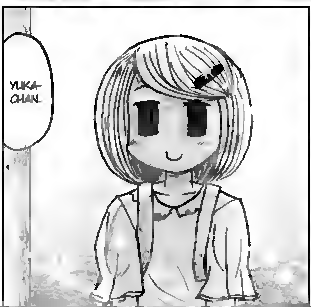
I DON'T WANT TO EAT...
BUT NO MATTER WHAT I DO, I CAN'T EAT...
YOU'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE ANY?
FRUIT'S A BLESSING FROM THE EARTH.
COME ON... TRY SOME. JUST A FEW BITES.
There, there.
IT'S ANOTHER BLESSING FROM THE EARTH.
AND THIS IS JUST MILK.

I SAID I'M NOT GONNA EAT IT! I'M NOT GONNA EAT IT!

WHY NOT?
I WON'T EAT IT!




WHAT SHOULD I DO NOW?
HMM...


YUKA-CHAN.

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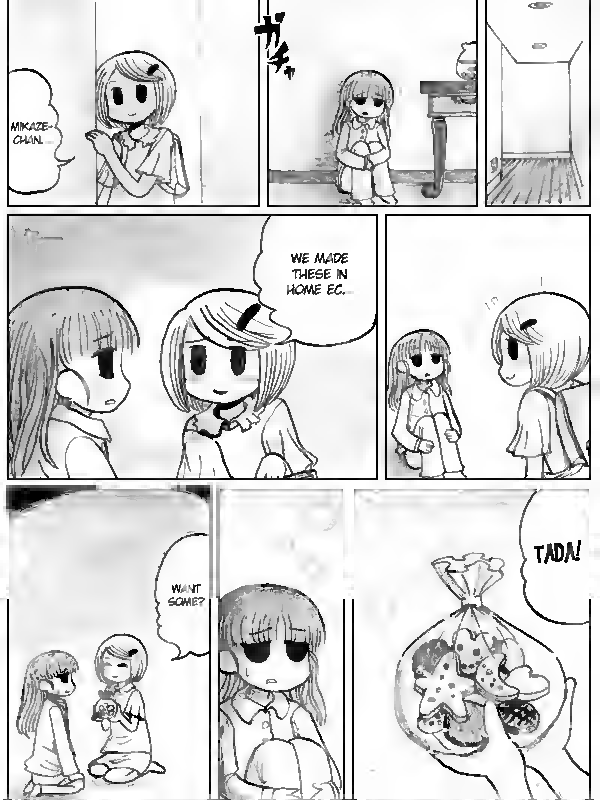
MIKAZE-CHAN!
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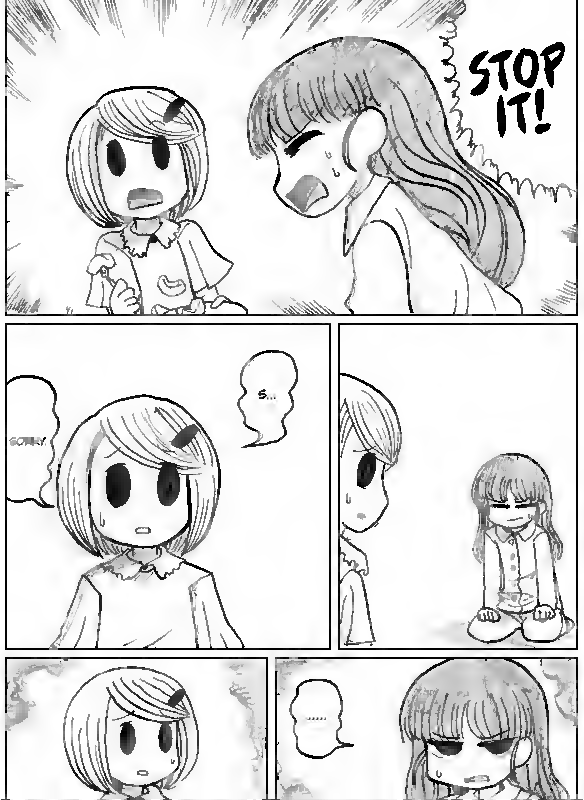
WE MADE THESE IN HOME EC.
WANT SOME?
TADA!

DO YOU EAT MEAT AND PLANTS?
HEY YUKA-CHAN!..?
EH?
I- I DON'T WANT ANY...
I'M NOT PICKY AT ALL!
HUH? 'COURSE I DO.
HAVE YOU CAUGHT A COLD?
MIKAZE-CHAN....

...
IF YOU DON'T START EATING, IT'LL GO BAD, RIGHT?
?
...
THEN HOW ABOUT IF I FEED YOU?


STOP IT!
S...
SORRY.
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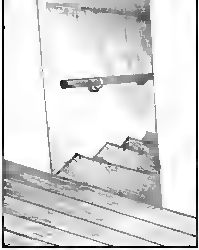
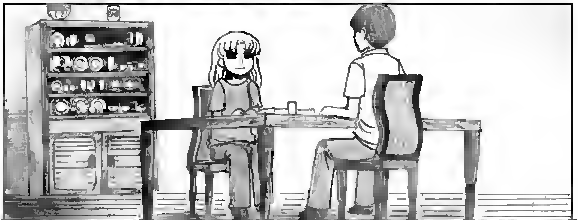
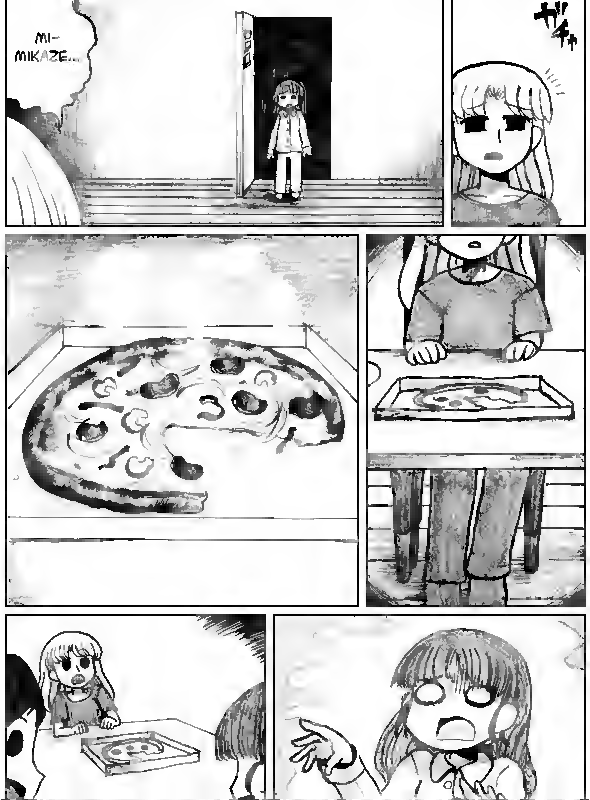
HONEY, YOU'RE NOT EATING?!

UGH
I'LL SUFFER THE SAME PAIN AS MY DAUGHTER...
...SO PERK UP ALREADY
I'LL ORDER SOME-THING...
ahh, how simple!!

None of us never asked to be turned into food!!
Whatcha gonn on about, fools! That's just typical human self-shness!!!
You'll make All of us ingredients sad, too!
to think you won't eat all this food...
humans don't dig up their own dead and eat 'em, do they?
♪ DON'T EAT ANYTHING!
DON'T EAT ANYTHING!!
TRA LA LA LA LA, LA LA LA ♪



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MIKAZE...

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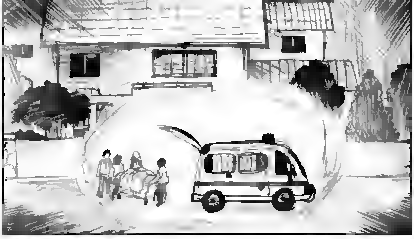
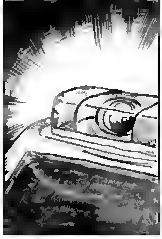
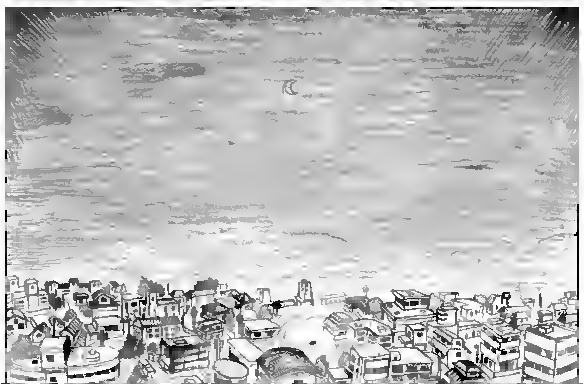
MIKAZE!







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